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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Examiner: STEADMAN, David J.

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Title: NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING

HIRUDIN FUSION PROTEINS AND METHODS FOR PRODUCING HIRUDIN FUSION PROTEINS

[AMENDED TITLE]

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.116 AND 1.121

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action sent August 12, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the objections and rejections and allowance of the present application in accordance with the following amendments and remarks.

An amended listing of the Claims is set forth beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.